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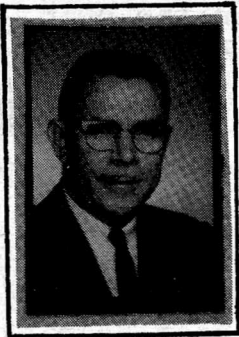


THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS

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from the

PRESIDENT'S DESK



From the January issue of the C.C.E. newsletter I see that Lee Martin, TEC #129 has offered to put together a catalog of the modern elongated coins, of as many rollers as will cooperate with him on this project, which is so badly needed. It is quite an undertaking in this age of speed with everything moving at such a pace around us. I certainly have a strong admiration for Lee Martin and his dedication to the elongated coin collectors. Lee Martin is an extremely busy man and how he can find time to squeeze this project in among his many activities, is beyond

me. I will certainly cooperate with him completely and all other rollers are urged to do the same. Send him a list of coins you have produced. Drawings or coins sent for photographing will be returned, but should be sent by insured mail. Send information to Lee Martin, P.O. Box 10396, Santa Ana, Calif. 92711.

As of this writing it is planned to issue an extra 500 copies of this issue of the TEC NEWS, for distribution at the National Token, Medal and Exonumia Jamboree. It will be held at the San Jose Hyatt House, in San Jose, California on March 16, 17, and 18. There will also be a special elongated coin rolled, to be given out at this event. A specimen of this coin is being sent to each TEC member along with this issue of the TEC NEWS. All TEC members, especially those in the California area are urged to attend. For members living in the colder climates, this would make an ideal vacation, to convert your winter to spring. For those that do attend, don't forget to write an article for the TEC NEWS, about the show.

Also it is not too early to start making your plans for our convention in Boston, August 23 thru 27. I always look forward to seeing old friends there and also to becoming acquainted with members that I had only known by mail previously. So plan to go to Bean Town. I'll be looking for you there.

Sincerely,

Lloyd E. Wagaman, Pres.

PUTNAM COIN CLUB OF CARMEL, N.Y.

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

Last December 9th, Al and I were invited down to the Putnam Coin Club of Carmel, New York. I was asked to be the speaker and to show the slides of my elongated coins at their annual banquet. Its a two hour drive one way and as Herman and Louise Krajewski were guests also, we went along with them.

The Putnam Coin Club is a very friendly group and are very sociable to their invited guests. As we were guests last year at this same club, we were warmly greeted by our good friends, Ralph and Ann Langham of Peekskill, N.Y. and by our many friends from the club.

The club always has a delicious banquet meal which consists of special hot hors d'oeuvres, crab meat and all the roast beef you can eat and it was enjoyed by all.

I brought three show cases full of my elongated coins to exhibit and also brought one exhibit of my wooden money. People there seemed to enjoy seeing the exhibits, as many came over to look and to ask me questions about them.

After our dinner I said a few words to the members about my older elongated coins and how they were made. Then Al and I set up our projector and Herman Krajewski helped out, by bringing in his large screen. I showed the slides of some of my early elongated coins up to the present time. I explained the difference in the die variety, of the early elongated coins. I also explained how rollers now, put initials on their coins, which helps us to know who rolled the coin. The initials on the coin do not always mean that the roller had made the die too.

I had slide pictures of a few people who had rolled some of the coins. this gave the members a better idea of who the rollers were. Members said, they had heard of some of these people and it was good to have seen what they looked like.

When the program was over both Al and I received a lot of nice compliments, from the members. Many came over and told us so themselves. Others told us it was so interesting they may start collecting elongated coins too. It made us both feel good to hear people say nice things about elongated coins, so thank you my good friends.

After the program I was presented a beautiful plaque from the president of the club, for showing the slides and I also got another plaque, for my elongated coin exhibits. Herman Krajewski also got the same plaques, as he gave a short talk and also exhibited there.

A special thanks goes to the officers and members of the Putnam Coin Club of Carmel, New York for having me as their speaker at their banquet. It was a pleasure and an honor to have shown my slides of my elongated coins at their club. A special thanks goes to them for my beautiful plaques too.



● Happy Easter ●

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Photos sent in with articles or ads must be sent to us already screened for printing, as our budget does not allow for this screening process. Sharp and clear newspaper photos can be used as these have already been screened for printing, and if they are not to large. Derogatory articles will not be printed.

SECTION 331, TITLE 18, U. S. CODE: Prohibits among other things the fraudulent alteration and mutilation of United States and foreign coins. This statute does not prohibit the mutilation of coins if done without fraudulent intent or if the mutilated coins are not used fraudulently.

NOTICE!

ALL ADVERTISERS

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DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

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ROYALTY FOR A DAY AT COIN WORLD

by Alberta Wagaman TEC #165
Camby, Indiana

Lloyd and I had discussed going to Sidney, Ohio and visit where our COIN WORLD newspaper is being printed. We had planned on this for a long time, but never could quite make it. In January Lloyd and I had a one week vacation and decided this time, we would go there. We decided on a Monday, so there would be no chance of getting involved in things at home and then miss out on not going.

On Monday morning we were up bright and early and were on our way to Sidney, Ohio. Upon our arrival to the COIN WORLD building, the office girls ushered us into Mrs. Margo Russell's office. Mrs. Russell is a gracious lady and can make you feel it is an honor for them to have you visit.

Jay Guren came in and took us on a personal tour of the building. He showed us every step in the process of publishing COIN WORLD. Each department that we visited were all very busy and everyone had a job to do, but they all took the time to show us all the procedures, you would have thought time meant nothing. Everyone was so friendly as we visited the different areas, that it gave us the feeling of one big happy family.

At noon we were the luncheon guests of Mrs. Margo Russell and Jay Guren. It was a lovely luncheon and the conversation was so enjoyable, we hated to see it end.

We returned to the COIN WORLD building, where we finished our tour. May I say to anyone who has the opportunity to visit COIN WORLD, to take advantage of it. It is a very enjoyable visit and time well spent.

The photographer came in to take a few pictures of us. Then we were presented the COIN WORLD MEDAL, which I shall always treasure. We said our goodbyes and thanks for the wonderful day they had given us. No words can express our thanks to Mrs. Margo Russell, Jay Guren and all the COIN WORLD staff, for the hospitality shown us and making us feel like Royalty For A Day.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This notice is concerning the award coin to be issued in August 1973, at our TEC meeting at the A.N.A. convention in Boston, Mass. to recognize the accomplishments, of the year 1972. If you had a display at a coin show, bank or other organized event, or if you gave a talk or showed slides, before an organized group such as a coin club, school group, lodge or other civic organization or if you had an article concerning elongated coins published in any publication, other than TEC NEWS, you should contact the award chairman, Joseph Lessner, 701 61st Street - North, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33710

If any of your above accomplishments were reported in TEC NEWS the Award Chairman will pick it up from there. If not you must notify the Award Chairman not later than May 1st, to be eligible for the award. You should send along some sort of verification such as a newspaper clipping program listing your name as speaker or a note from the show chairman, exhibit chairman, secretary or other official.

Notification after May 1st will have to be ruled ineligible, as time must be allowed for administration of the award.

JUST A REMINDER TO ALL

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

Just a reminder to all members to make sure to make your room reservations early for the A.N.A. convention, in Boston, Mass. this August 23-27. In the last issue of TEC NEWS, I printed the room rates and the hotel address. So please check with your last TEC NEWS for more information on this.

We will hold our annual meeting at a date not yet known to us, but we should know by the next issue and we will publish the date and time in the next issue of TEC NEWS.

For the new members, this is a meeting where all TEC members and their guests can get together. You can meet the old and new members of TEC. The meeting is a must, so plan on being there, while you are at the convention.

If you have any old elongated coins you want to trade or sell, bring them in. This is a good time to help your friends out. If you have two or three of a kind, why not sell them to a TEC member.

There will be a Board of Governors meeting a day or two, before our annual meeting for all members of the Board of Governors. This is also a must for all Board members as there is usually important club business to discuss and all members should be present.

For new and old members, who will be at the convention for the first time, go and shake hands with Dottie Dow and get one of her hand shake elongated coins. This is the only way to get one. At each convention, I send all my friends from Conn. to shake her hand. If you don't know what to say, tell Dottie Dow, that Sally Kirka said, to shake your hand and to say hello. She hasn't failed me yet. This year Dottie, get ready as Boston is near Connecticut, so a lot of my friends will be shaking your hand.

I'm going to be sneaky and tell you there are a lot of other TEC members that give out coins too, at the convention. So if you see someone giving out an elongated coin, put your hand out for one. Do not be afraid as I always do and no one has turned me down yet. This year even Al and I will have a coin to give out, that we rolled ourselves.

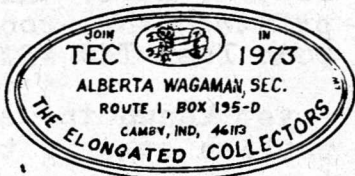
Remember folks, Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman, Al and Sally Kirka, Steve and Alice Penzes, Henry Blaha, Dottie Dow, Don and Bertie Sabo, Harold and Alice Anderson, Ruby Threlkeld, Herman and Louise Krajewski, are just a few of the members who will be there and will try to make your visit a pleasant one. So get busy and send in your reservations early. Hope to see you all there.



Lloyd Wagaman and Don Sabo discuss TEC NEWS at the Sabos in Prospect Heights, Chicago, Illinois during New Year Holiday. Don is TEC Historian and has researched and written some fine articles for TEC NEWS. We received many complimentary letters about his President McKinley article. Keep up the good work Don.

Exonumia Jamboree In San Jose

by Lloyd E. Wagaman - Camby, Indiana



The first "National Token, Medal and Exonumia Collectors Jamboree," is scheduled for March 16-17--18, 1973, in the Governors House Center at the Hayatt House in San Jose, Calif.

All Exonumia organizations are expected to be represented and of course TEC will be there looking for new members. There will be much activity in the areas of Tokens, Medals and other Exonumia, but there will be no coins. There will be about 25 dealers to set up bourse tables and each will be a specialist in his own field. The Elongated Collector should find an abundance of fine material at the show.

The high-light of the show as far as Elongated Collectors are concerned, will be the working display of an elongating machine, on which you may "roll your own." The dies on the machine will be a "Lords Prayer" and also one with the portrait of an unidentified man. This of course is an old unlisted elongated and an attempt will be made at the show to identify the man in the portrait. There will be an enlarged photo of the coin and the public will be asked, to aid in the identification.

The special coin pictured above will be given out to all that attend the Jamboree. There will also be an additional 500 copies of this issue of the TEC NEWS for distribution, as an aid to building up our membership.

There will be three special seminars during the event. One will be a cataloging session, another will feature the identification of mavericks, and still another will be devoted to "Fakes, Fantasies, and Frauds in Exonumia material."

All information, reservations and registrations should be directed to the Jamboree organizer, Duane M. Feisel, P.O. Box 11661, Palo Alto, Calif. 94306

ELONGATED HOBBY

by Richard Grabowski TEC #570
Rockville, Conn.

I have been intrigued with the field of numismatics for several years now. After attending some of the coin shows in this area and seeing some of the elongated exhibits, the collecting of elongated coins has rendered me another avenue, to pursue in this fast growing hobby. One of these days when time permits, maybe I'll be able to take part in one of my coin clubs, coin shows and exhibit some of my elongated coins.

Since I'm active in education, history is a subject I like to keep abreast with. Therefore, the elongated coin becomes salient to me. It lends me an opportunity to further research segments of history, that would have otherwise been forgotten, had it not been for the research and ornate design of some creative person to whom a piece of history has been brought back into the light of cognizance.

In closing, I would like to say that I'm elated to be a new member of TEC, #570.

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ANNOUNCING

The following proposals have been approved by the Board of Governors and will become standard procedure until further Board Action causes a change.

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T E C should be officially represented at the "National Token, Medal and Exonumia Collectors Jamboree" to be held in San Jose, Cal. on March 16, 17, and 18, 1973. We should print an extra 500 copies of the April-May-June issue of T E C NEWS with each copy containing an application for membership. Cost of extra copies, plus membership applications to be approximately \$125.00 or less.

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T E C will reimburse Lloyd E. Wagaman for cost of cents used to roll approximately 2,000 promotional elongated cents to be used for TEC promotion at the "National Token, Medal and Exonumia Collectors Jamboree". Cost to be approximately \$22.50.

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T E C will again include a donation of \$25.00 to the A N A Museum to be paid along with our 1973 A N A dues.

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In the future TEC NEWS shall refuse any and all advertisements that does not concern elongated coins or related material.

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T E C NEWS shall establish a "CLASSIFIED AD SECTION". Ads to be of typed copy only and each typewritten line shall contain not more than 68 didgets or spaces. Cost to be 25¢ per line or 5 lines for a \$1.00 with advertisers name and address to be included in lines charged for.

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

by Paul Aubry TEC #417
Englewood, N.J.

First I would like to thank Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman for all their help in getting me started as an elongated coin collector. It also gave me a very good feeling when they sent me some of their coins for free. I would also like to thank Burton Neal Levy who, probably spent many hours writing answers to my questions.

Even as a new collector I can say that Dottie Dow has already done more for TEC and collecting elongated coins in general than I will ever be able to do, but I feel that she should be called on again to help the Hobby, by putting out a reprint of her first book. There must be many members who feel the way I do and I don't have to give the reason why. We need this book because everyone knows, that without the book we are lost.

May I suggest that every member who feels we need this book, to write to Dottie Dow and tell her how you feel. I think if she gets enough letters she may put out the reprint, that we need so much.

I would also like to say that Sally and Al Kirka, have been doing a wonderful job as Editors of the TEC NEWS.

(Editors Note:- Thank you for those kind words Paul. I hope by the time this is read by Dottie Dow, she will have done something about this book. How about it Dottie? Please.

ROLLING ELONGATES CAN BE FUN

by Jerry Rathburn TEC #484
Alexandria, Ohio

I roll elongated pennies and can't recommend it as a way to make a living. However, if you are lucky, you may break even money-wise. As a hobby, I highly recommend rolling elongateds as you can meet many fine people. I started out with elongated coins in March of 1970. At that time we had a carnival spin-painting concession, and were cutting out coins and making them into coin jewelry. We built us a trailer which we could take to fairs and carnivals, which opened on three sides and could be locked up completely in about five minutes. In that trailer we mounted a little vise to cut jewelry with, and in the rear we mounted our penny press. We sell elongated penny necklaces, earrings, tie-tacks, key chains and plain elongated coins. We bought our machine from Bob Luchtman and also had two dies engraved by him. The Lords Prayer and C.B. radio. On the C.B. Radio elongated coin, we left a space so we could engrave, the operators call letters.

We get a lot of comments on the elongated coins and cut-out coin jewelry. A few wise guys say they can make them at home by letting a train run over a penny. Some also keep telling us that this is illegal and walk away. We have found it don't pay to argue with them, as when we prove them wrong, they won't buy them anyhow. We do have a sign posted stating Section 331, but it makes no difference.

For the first year, we sold only a few elongated coin jewelry, but the cut out coin jewelry outsold it by a wide margin. For the 1970 Ohio State Fair, we had Bob make us an engraving, showing a ferris wheel and other fair scenery with the wording "Expo 70, Ohio State Fair" on it. We sold these at the Ohio State Fair in 1970. We did real well for the twelve day run. We still sell a few of these every time we go out. This year, we had Bob make three more engravings for us. One was the Heisey Glassworks, one of my 1931 Model "A" Ford coupe, and one Ohio, 17th state with some facts on Ohio along with the wording, 'John J. Gilligan, Governor'.

I sent our Governor, John J. Gilligan the first penny I rolled off on this die and received a real nice letter back from him. The Heisey Glassworks elongated coin we introduced at the Licking County Land of Legend Festival in June at Newark, Ohio. Newark, Ohio is the home of the Heisey glassworks and there is a lot of interest in the Heisey ware in this area. We sold quite a few elongated Heisey pennies that week. The following week we introduced the Ohio 17th state and the Model A Ford elongated coin at another fair. We are trying to add a couple of different elongated coins each year. We sell 80% of our different elongated coins at fairs and carnivals and the other 20% by mail to collectors. When we come out with a new issue, we run a little classified ad in Coin World and Numismatic News for a couple of weeks. The penny press, mounted in the trailer, when we are running elongated coins thru it, causes people to stop and look.

In October of last year I tried my hand at hand engraving a die. We bought a 'Giant Pillow' amusement ride to add to our carnival equipment and was in need of a reusable ticket to sell for the admission. Others use a paper ticket, but I thought we wanted something different. I engraved a picture of the pillow and the wording "Giant Pillow, one ride, 1972" on it. I made several trial pieces as the engraving progressed to check my work. We haven't operated the Giant Pillow as yet, as our season doesn't start until May, so I

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don't know how the tickets will work out. I haven't advertised these yet, but they are available at 50¢ each.

I now have a machine shop making me a new roll so I can try and engrave by hand a couple more elongateds in the spring.

We operate mainly between May thru November at the various fairs and carnivals in Ohio. In addition to the cut-out coin and elongated jewelry trailer we have a spin painting concession trailer, two Remington-Rand Handwriting analysis concessions, a chocolate covered frozen banana trailer, the Giant Pillow amusement ride and a rubber stamp and engraving business.

Any elongated coin can be ordered from me by mail, Jerry Rathburn, 22 West Main Street, Alexandria, Ohio 43001. For 50¢ each rolled on Lincoln Pennies and 75¢ each on Mercury dimes or Indian cents.

WHAT ARE ELONGATED COINS?

by Norma Quant TEC #530
Pontiac, Michigan

This question, as to what are elongated coins, is asked at many coin shows and flea markets. You always get the same blank stare. About one out of every ten coin dealers, do not know what they are.

About two years ago, my husband saw Lloyd Wagaman's and Gus Meccarello's ad in Coin World and I sent for a few elongated coins, I was hooked to the hobby of collecting them.

Last August we saw Gus Meccarello's auction sheet in the TEC NEWS. I was one of the TEC members, who sent in the bid for Dottie Dow's Book, "The Elongated Collector." Believe it or not, my bid was the winner. We received the book on September 11th, which was my birthday. It was a pleasant surprise and a very nice present.

I hear from about eight elongated rollers. I would like to thank Lloyd Wagaman, Ralph Jones and Dottie Dow, for all the help they have given me in the past. I try to buy most all the coins they make. I have now almost 800 elongated coins in my collection, which I'm very proud of. I have enjoyed many happy hours and hope to continue with my hobby.

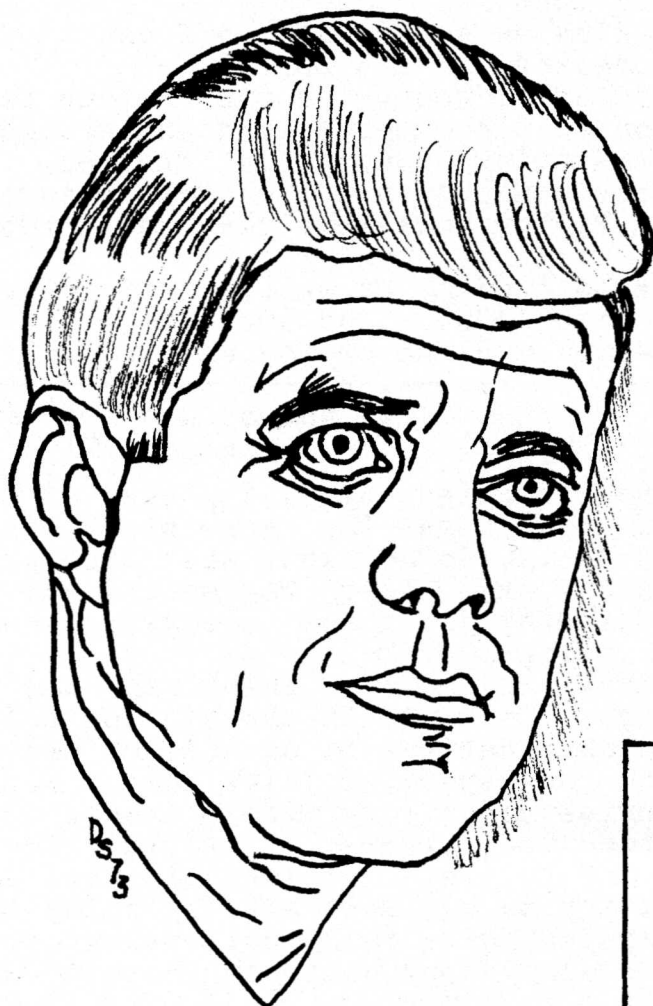
I hope some day, a book of the elongated coins that are being made now will be put out, as collectors like me could use one.

DESTROY DIES? WHY?

by Ralph W. Jobe TEC #2
Chicago, Ill.

First I would like to say that dies cost money and some of my first blanks were quite costly. I have paid more than \$150.00 for one engraving. You say destroy a die. I intend to destroy some of my first dies, I had no part in the engraving. I did in the art work. I have destroyed many dies, if you call adding more engraving to a die after you roll a few pieces. I have one progressive die with 17 different engravings, rolling 50 pieces then adding to the die, rolling 100 pieces then adding to the die, etc. I've had a die crack, after heat treating, on the first cent rolled. I was lucky enough to roll a few pieces before I sent the die for hardening.

How do you destroy a die in the first place? Do you stamp an X on the face and roll another 100 or 200 pieces, stamp another X and roll another 100 or 200 pieces. Where does this kind of destroying take us. My opinion is, when you destroy a die, you either add more to the die or you melt it.



JFK

AS PORTRAYED ON ELONGATED COINS

by Don Sabo TEC #341
Prospect Hts., Ill.

- - INTRODUCTION - -

Where were you, November 23, 1963? Can you recall the day? Remember the headlines in the major newspapers around the world, the television blaring its tragic coverage, John F. Kennedy 35th President of the United States of America is slain by an assassins bullets. For four days we watched in disbelief, we mourned, we cried and we could not believe it happened. The stock market closed, the event was real, he is dead.

Even though the events recorded bring back memories of sadness of his assassination, John F. Kennedy's memory lives on thru the metallic tributes produced by several rollers in the form of elongated coins and these small items of exnumia bear mute evidence to his greatness and acceptance, by we the people of the United States. As long as these mementos exist his memory will live on in the hearts of the people.

It is with this intent, that I dedicate this catalogue to all of Kennediana, with the hopes someday others will follow in the elongated field to improve on it, or add to it.

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INTRODUCTION TO THE CATALOGUE

As most collectors are aware, special trail specimens are rolled and exist of many elongated subjects. This will prove true, even of the elongated coins of John F. Kennedy.

The author makes no pretense that this catalogue by any means is complete, but rather it is meant to further interest collectors in bringing forth additional specimens here-to-fore not reported.

Since some Kennedy dies remain still intact and are not destroyed and are being currently rolled, no report of quantities made will be reported. Only where evidence of a destroyed die is furnished will such figures be revealed.

It is also interesting to note that some rollers, do not keep accurate records, so reports of quantities made would be totally inaccurate to report.

One must remember that only thru the total cooperation of the rollers and collectors, could this catalogue be complete. At this time I urge you all to participate in this catalogue.

You will notice where additional reference numbers are used, these refer to the following books.

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PP 188 circa 1966
- (B) "THE ELONGATED COLLECTOR", by DOTTIE DOW circa 1965 PP 209
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- KENN- #1 Dotted border /above/ INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS. /below year 1968/ infield to left small EA7 wreath and flame/ to right /portrait of JFK below/ J.F. KENNEDY rolled on 1968 Lincoln cent. Rolled by Elmer Anderson, Warwick, R.I. Die made by R. Luchtman, Arivaca, Arizona. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #1A Same as KENN #1 but rolled on Panama Un Centesimo 1966
- KENN- #1B Same as KENN #1 but rolled on 1968 U. S. Quarter
- KENN- #2 Dotted border/ above/ 5th ANNIVERSARY/ below / of assassination/ infield to left/ EAS NOV. 1968 / center / portrait facing of J.F.K./ below portrait/JOHN F. KENNEDY/ in field to right/ 35th PRESIDENT/rolled on 1968 Lincoln cent. Rolled by Elmer Anderson, Warwick, R.I. Die made by R. Luchtman, Arivaca, Arizona. Not in Dow or Rochette book.
- KENN- #2A Same as KENN- #2 but rolled on Panama Un Centesimo 1966
- KENN- #2B Same as KENN- #2 but rolled on 1965 Roosevelt Dime.
- KENN- #3 Rope border/ coin vertical/ around inside of border/ ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU - ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY / center/ J.F.K. head facing left/on truncation of neck/initials JH/above portrait/IN MEMORIAM /below portrait/ JOHN. F. KENNEDY/ small initials JB Rolled by J.H. Brown, Cleveland, Ohio. Not in Dow or Rochetts's book
- KENN- #4 Dotted border/above/ John F.Kennedy center/ portrait of JFK facing forward/below/1917-1963/ at extreme bottom by dot in border/RWJ/coin rolled vertical/rolled on Lincoln cent. Die made by and rolled by Ralph Jobe, Chicago, Ill. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.

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- KENN- #4A Same as above, but outside border to left/ IN MEMORIAM.
KENN- #5 Dotted border/center/ picture of torpedo boat/109/above/
Lt. JOHN F. KENNEDY/below to left by border/initials RWJ
Made and rolled by Ralph Jobe, Chicago, Illinois.
Not in Dow Or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #6 Dotted border/center/eternal flame pictured/ below/ JOHN
F. KENNEDY/at bottom inside border/RWJ/ coin rolled ver-
tical. Rolled on steel cent. Made and rolled by Ralph
Jobe, Chicago, Illinois. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #7 Dotted border/center/JFK portrait sculptured facing left
above/IN MEMORIAM/to left/ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN
DO/to right/ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY/ below
neck of portrait/RJ/roller Ralph Jones, Archer, Florida.
Same as Dow #P-PC - 14 - Rochette #K.63A-43 THRV - 43D.
Not reported on Silver Dollar.
- KENN- #8 Dotted border/center/ building/ above/ PRESIDENT JOHN F.
KENNEDY/to left/flag visited July 4th Independence Mall/
to right/here in 1962 Philadelphia, Penna./ lower left
near edge/RJ/rolled by Ralph Jones, Archer, Florida.
Same as Dow PENphi #3 and Rochette #SK-62-3-3D.
- KENN- #9 Dotted border/above/JOHN F. KENNEDY/below/BORN IN MASS.,
MAY 29, 1917/center/sculptured head JFK facing left/ to
left/35th PRESIDENT 1961 - 1963/to right/ FIRST CATHOLIC
PRES./ by border to right/ initials R.J./rolled by Ralph
Jones, Archer, Florida. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #10 Dotted border/JOHN F. KENNEDY/ASSASSINATED/NOV.22nd 1963
DALLAS-TEXAS/35th - PRESIDENT/ Rolled by Ralph Jones of
Archer, Florida. Dow #P-PC - 15 Rochette #K-63A-42A-42E
- KENN- #10A Same as KENN #10, but initials of roller RJ added in
reverse. Dow #P+PC -15A, Rochette #K-63A-42. Die des-
troyed by re-engraving.
- KENN- #10B Same as KENN #10A, but initials corrected. Not in Dow or
Rochette's book. Die destroyed by re-engraving.
- KENN- #10C Same as KENN #10B, but two stars added to field to either
side of wording. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #11 Rope border/center/sculptured head of J.F.K.facing left/
above/ PRESIDENT/ below/ JOHN F. KENNEDY/ Distributed by
Kennedy Penny Mementos, Miami, Fla. Not in Dow's book.
Rochette #K-63A-41
- KENN- #12 Dotted border/center/outline of head and shoulders of
JFK facing left/ above/ two stars/ below/35th PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY - MAY 1917 - NOV. 1963./ Die unsigned/.
Present owner Mike O'Hara, Seattle, Washington. Rolled
on cent. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #12A Same as above but rolled on Silver Canadian quarter.
KENN- #12B Same as above but rolled on Roosevelt silver dime.
- KENN- #13 Border/none/horizontal/ center/ building/ peace forest/
below/ "KENNEDY PEACE FOREST" ISRAEL. Die engraved by R.
Luchtman, Arivaca, Arizona for Constantine Meccarello.
Not in Dow or Rochette's book.
- KENN- #14 Border none/ vertical/ITS BEEN A LONG ROAD GIVE ME YOURE
HELP,GIVE ME YOURE HAND, YOURE VOICE, YOURE VOTE JK/ 10
lines of wording/. Die stamped and rolled by Constantine
Meccarello. Not in Dow or Rochette's book.

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ALL ABOUT AN UNLISTED THAT GOT AWAY

by David J. Singer TEC #423
Skokie, Illinois

Wow, the blood pressure shoots up. The excitement. Is it or isn't it? Out comes Dow's book, "The Elongated Collector." The pages are turning - can it be?

To the serious collectors of elongates, finding an unlisted, an oldy, is the ultimate. It's like Santa Claus making a special visit in the summertime. It's like finding a \$100.00 bill in an old suit.

Now the examination begins seriously. Sure enough in Dow's book this elongate has twenty-nine dots forming the border. The new find has only twenty-five! Now it's for sure that the common looking elongate is an unlisted. The collector will send a rubbing to Bob Callander. He will verify it and it will be published in T.E.C. along with others unlisted. The found elongate may be a scene, with nothing else like it in Dow's book. Then for sure one knows that this is an elongate possibly no-one else possesses.

In the newspaper field the definition for news is that if a dog bites a man that is not news. However, if the man bites the dog that is News! So I am going to tell you about a 1934 Chicago World's Fair elongate that is unlisted and to my knowledge nobody right now has it, not even I. Although I must have had it in the palm of my hand many times, yet I own not a single one.

The fact is that I wouldn't have recalled this elongate had it not been for my 1934 diary. This rare elongate - The Doodlebug - was named for a ride like you'd find in Coney Island or Atlantic City. In my diary I noted the daily sales of each elongate and who ran the machines. I was supervisor for the rolling machines and would also take over during lunch hours and coffee breaks.

So two years ago, as I'm leaving my dentists office in Skokie, Ill., guess who is next? There standing before me is Maurice Lerman, one of the men who ran the Doodlebug roll-out machine at the Chicago World's Fair and now a furniture retailer in Arlington Heights, Ill.

"Maury," I greeted him, "how are you?" Do you have any roll-outs from the Century of Progress? His answer was a plain "no".

In a letter from Bob Callander a few years ago, he writes: "which rolled coin from the Fair was the Doodlebug?" "I haven't been able to figure it out." Brownie Gill wrote me, "Could you please obtain a Doodlebug for me? Please."

Very few were run on the Doodlebug die. This stand did not go over and even with a super salesman, as was Maurice Lerman, the stand did not last long. Perhaps Kelly and Elmer, who ran the official roll out machines in 1933 and 1934 made a blunder. They picked a bad subject with the Doodlebug.

So, I can tell you about the one that got away. Let's see who will be the first to report the find. So, get on your marks, get set, go!

A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

by Dottie Dow TEC #1
Phoenix, Arizona

Did you ever wake up at 3 A.M. with your arm hurting you so bad and you are hot with a very high fever, that you can't sleep? Well that's what happened to me the other day. As I was waiting for the pain pills to take effect, I picked up my recent issue of TEC NEWS and took it to bed with me to read. Do you know that TEC NEWS was so good and interesting, that I forgot I even had an arm hurting me as bad as it was. Just having had some surgery done on my arm, you can see why it was hurting me so. God Bless You Sally and Al Kirka and all those nice members that have contributed articles for TEC NEWS.

ITS A LOT OF HARD WORK, BUT ITS FUN

by Al Kirka TEC #450
Manchester, Conn.

Well an Editors work is never done, but we do have fun working on TEC NEWS. When my wife Sally takes a job, she puts her heart into it and works hard to get the job done. This means I have to help her when I can, what husband wouldn't help his wife? It is not hard manual work but it does take many hours of typing and arranging articles and so forth. Sally tries hard to please everyone, so takes her job very seriously. I've already been fired three times by my wife and each time for something funny. One time it was because it was already 4 A.M. and I was still typing up some articles. My wife said for me to go to bed. Seeing I only had a few more lines to type, I told Sally, "I'll go later on." So Sally fired me and said, "now go to bed." I got even with her the next day when she told me to start typing. I told her, "you fired me and I'm not working for you anymore."

Sally and I have a 'His' and 'Hers' typewriter, its a must for an Editors job. One day my wife was calling her typewriter some nasty names, when she made some mistakes. In a few minutes I was calling my typewriter the same names. Sally turned to me and said, "whats the matter, your typewriter making the same mistakes that my typewriter is making?"

One night my wife was typing up Lee Martins article about his rolling machine. She is very much interested in buying a machine, so this article was very interesting to her. She read the article very carefully and then sat back laughing. For once someone told the truth about a rolling machine and the cost involved making dies, etc. Sally said she couldn't help but laugh when Lee said, he may just sit and look at his machine after finding out how much things would cost. Then Sally said, "how can I buy a machine when things are so rough?" If after reading Lees article, and you still complain about paying more than 50¢, for an elongated coin, stop and think back of the cost involved and you will know why. Its really not so cheap to make an elongated coin.

So you see my friends, even if Sally and I do work hard getting the TEC NEWS out, we do have fun too.

THE STORY OF 1972 AND GOING INTO 1973

by Harold Anderson TEC #483
Caro, Michigan

Well looking back into the year that we left behind, there were some good and bad days. There was good news as well as bad news. We all know the world has its troubles too. At the first of the year, some of us were in the hospital or were sick with the flu. We had bad weather, snow storms and plenty of sunshine too. Then we all started thinking of the coming coin shows and of how many elongated coins we could get. The more elongated coins we can get, the more we could exhibit them and I know about exhibiting. There is a lot of work and time that goes into building a display. I know as I like to exhibit my elongated coins.

As we go to work on our jobs, we try to think of extra money we can put away, for that big A.N.A. convention in New Orleans, La. We think about the A.N.A. convention, their main show, the meetings of the year. There's money we have to save for hotel, food and a few elongated coins and other goodies that happen to catch our eye. Then there is that moment, when you meet some old friends and new ones too. Then there is the one, that can't afford to pay high hotel rates, so he or she come for one or two days. They are here and gone before you have a chance to visit with them.

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THE STORY OF 1972 AND GOING INTO 1973

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Then there are some members, who are elected to office and that's where they start their new jobs. Sometimes the jobs are good and sometimes not so good. I know, because I had a sample of that. As you look back, things could have been worse, so we end the year, hoping 1973 will be better and not worse.

With election time coming up again, we think of who would be right for the jobs. The TEC NEWS issue is the biggest job of them all. When I think of that job now, I know it's done by two of the finest people of TEC. I was reading "The Editor Speaks" and this alone gives us some idea on how much of a job our two wonderful members have to do. I just wished, I lived near them so I could go over and give them a hand, and I really would too.

Well our New Year came in with plenty of rain and snow, here in Michigan. Maybe we have a lot of good things in store for us, in the coming New Year. I'm hoping to take in a lot of coin shows around here. There's one in Warren and Detroit, Michigan and Ashland, Ohio. I hope there's lots of elongated coins there too. I see dealers are selling more and more elongated coins and find a place in their coin books now. Maybe one of these days, I'll come across an elongated coin book too. Anyhow there's happy hunting for elongated coins in 1973.

I would like to thank all the wonderful TEC members, that have sent us cards and the nice elongated coins for Christmas. It's been a wonderful pleasure getting them all.

I enjoyed writing this article and I hope you enjoy reading it too. As I know I can't write a professional article, as lot of members do, but I sure try.

HAND - ENGRAVED OR OTHERWISE

by Lloyd E. Wagaman TEC #33
Camby, Indiana

This is being written as a follow up to my article "Hand Elongated" which appeared in the last issue of TEC NEWS.

First I want to apologize to the general collector and especially the new collector, because that article would probably have a tendency to cause a new collector to think that all my elongated coins issued, have been hand engraved. This of course would be a false impression as probably three fourths of my issues have been pant-o-graphed.

Secondly I want publicly apologize to the third person mentioned in that article for my statement that another roller claimed hand-engravings, but close magnification showed tool marks from the pant-o-graph. I must stick to the statement about tool marks on many issues, but must add that I have checked other issues of this roller and found several that have every indication of being strictly hand engraved.

Therefore it would appear that all three rollers mentioned in that article are in the same boat, as we have all three rolled a considerable amount of elongated coins from dies produced by the different methods.

That article was written primarily to focus attention on the old masterpieces of engravings from forty or fifty years ago and was not meant to de-grade any of the modern methods of engraving. In fact in most cases the pant-o-graph and chemical milled pieces being made today, have more beauty than today's hand-engravings. It was the old masters hand-engravings I was defending. Most all modern hand-engravings are quite crude when compared to those of other methods.

A VISIT TO THE ELONGATED MUSEUM

by Walter H. Riley TEC #539
Webster, Mass.

During the latter part of December I visited the Elongated Museum in Poughkeepsie, New York. "Gus" Mecarrello, curator of the Elongated Museum, gave me a personally conducted tour. The tour lasted three hours and it seemed like fifteen minutes.

This museum houses elongated coins of years past, present up-to date issues and has a unique way of displaying elongated cents thru silver dollars etc.

The museum has three elongated machines. I saw for the first time a elongated coin being rolled, and it was very interesting. Gus is really an expert in giving one back ground information, on how elongated coins are made from acid or chemical fabrication, hand engraving, pant-o-graph etc.

This museum contains most of the elongated coins that have been rolled by Lloyd Wagan, R.W. Luchtman, Dottie Dow, Don Sabo, Henry Blaha, A. Rosato, Mary Eggleston, Elmer Anderson and you name the roller and this museum may have the elongated coin that you wanted to see for years.

I much prefer to keep this article short, for the reason I don't want to relate other information, as I want you to see this museum, and get as much enjoyment out of your visit, as I did. All that "Gus" requires of one who wants to visit the museum, is an advance notice of a few days, so that he will be available to give you the tour.

While I was touring the museum for three hours, my wife Connie visited with "Nan" Meccarello and they really had a nice visit. In closing I want to thank Gus and Nan Meccarello for the opportunity to visit the Museum and for such a very nice day.

VALENTINE'S DAY -- SPECIAL

by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

Seeking a subject to write about can be tough going. Tired from the Holiday Mail Rush, I almost gave up until I noticed the deadline date of February 14th. This inspired my choice and I hope proves of interest to you.

February and Valentine's Day hold a special interest because back in W.W.II Rommel, The Dessert Fox, made his surprised Valentines Day Drive and on February 17th, 1943 I was caught in the net and became a P.O.W. until released by the Russians in May 1945.

Becoming engaged upon my return home, what better date to choose for the wedding than February 14, 1946. Captured again, this time for life.

Finding my first Valentine elongated coin back in 1968 Dottie Dow's Cupid, "Be My Valentine", naturally lead to another special theme search.

To date, I've managed to obtain six other Valentines, Be My Valentine - R.W.J., I Love You - BCS, Aiming To Be Your Valentine - C7, My Heart Pants For U - C7, Be Mine 71 - GM, Try A Little Togetherness - AR. I'm hoping 1973 will produce a few more nice issues.

Anyone knowing of any other Valentine elongated coins, please send word in the TEC NEWS. Love knows no bounds, I'm certain interest will grow in this theme. Help in learning of issues in your various collecting areas is a must and it is always fun scanning TEC NEWS to see what ones fit your special fields.

Many thanks to all, who have been so kind and helpful in the past, after reading one of my Theme Reports.



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COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION ELONGATEDS

by Maurice M. Gould TEC #15
Tustin, California



One of the most popular in the elongated field is the one relating to the Columbian Exposition. The regular denominations of coins are well-known and documented, but there is still an opportunity to discover many unusual items.

For example- Nathan N. Eglit of Chicago, in his book, "Columbiana," lists the following: Elongated Indian Heads, Copper Nickel Cents, various dates; flying eagle cents, two cent pieces, three cent nickel, shield nickel, liberty head nickel, liberty seated dime, Barber type dime, liberty seated quarter, Barber type half dollar, and U.S. trade dollar.

In the foreign field, he lists; Canadian one cent, as well as five cent silver; British half penny and penny; and German 3-mark silver. These are all rolled or elongated pieces.

It is in this latter area that I expect many new finds will be made as I personally own a Papal coin of the 1860's, an Italian one lira piece of 1863, and a French five centimes of 1875, all of which have been elongated.

There is no question but that many pieces that visitors brought from all parts of the world, were rolled and then taken back with them as a souvenir of their visit. Some of these pieces may be "Unique" or "semi-unique" and were made at the spur of the moment, for a small fee.

One of my pieces was discovered in an old button box, in an antique shop and the other two, among non-collecting friends who had them among their memorabilia.

Also included in this group was my so-called "King of Elongateds", which I wrote about in another issue, an 1883 Hawaiian half dollar.

A through search in out of the way places, with a little bit of luck, may turn up a rarity and could be the prize item in your collection.

Those of you who have pieces which are not listed in Dottie Dow's book or by Eglit, should see that the cataloguer obtains the information for future listing.

ABOUT MY ELONGATED COINS

by Rita Stankiewicz TEC #69
Cheektowaga, N.Y.

I sat down to write an article about my elongated coin collection. I took my pen in hand and then thought, "now what do I write and say, that hasn't already been said before? Just what can I now write?"

Well, I guess I can say that my elongated coin collection is varied. I collect States, Presidents, space, political, coin clubs and etc. I buy whatever catches my fancy. I sure would like to have every elongated coin I've read about and all being issued, but that would be impossible, on my limited income, for my hobbies. I usually order my elongateds directly from rollers, when I read about new issues in TEC NEWS, Coin World or the Numismatic News. I sometimes get a list from rollers too.

I also buy few from neighboring coin shows. I attend local coin shows, but of late have not been successful in getting any elongated coins, that I do not already have. I do have a few old elongated coins which dealers have sent me, of different fairs. Otherwise most of my elongated coins are recent issue.

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ABOUT MY ELONGATED COINS

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I am also a proud owner of Dottie Dow's Elongated (autographed) Book, which I purchased from her at the time of issue. I hope that Dottie Dow or someone else supplements or issues a new book. Many new elongated coins have been made since her book has been issued.

Most of my elongated coins are kept in plastic pocket pages. While others I keep in a shoe box. When I get my winter vacation, maybe I'll be able to get my elongated coins organized in some kind of a permanent file. This will also help me get an idea of how many elongated coins I really have. All in all this is a fun hobby and I enjoy myself very much.

TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF A WOULD BE ROLLER by Lee Martin TEC #129
Santa Ana, Calif.

In the last newsletter I indicated I had purchased the dies and machine of Warren Bunge. As of this date I have not created any new elongateds, but I am experimenting with several types of die making processes.

Thus far, using photo etch chemicals I have pitted several dies, almost asphyxiated myself and use ultra violet light so much that my dark room has become the headquarters for a gang of hippies. If I add a flashing speed light they will feel right at home. Apparently there are two solutions open to me. (No pun intended.) The non-developing solutions are to buy a pantograph or have dies made by someone else. Until I can produce real quality material I will not have any dies on the marketplace; however, the best of intentions sometimes trip over themselves.

Some of Bunge's dies received orders from clubs and I tried to roll denominational sets. My respect for other rollers grew immediately. Rolling half dollars is not the easiest thing in the world. Not only are you losing 50 cents every time a coin is not fed properly between the dies, but you are forced to look in the mirror and decide if the coin can "get by." I had to roll 24 denominations sets for the Numismatic Council of Orange County. I purchased 40 coins of each denomination and had no trouble rolling cents, nickels and dimes. The quarter took some time to adjust the pressure on the dies and I managed to get my 24 but I used all 40 coins. Then came halves. At least five were used in merely getting proper adjustment so the coin would be the correct length. Then I found some letters were missing. Later I was told this was caused by forcing the halves through rather than letting the coin be pulled through. Also improper pressure on the dies will certainly affect the elongated.

I use a plastic toothbrush to push my coins and quickly found the plastic was bending like a hammock. I switched to a wooden pencil and got it jammed by the gears. Rather than taking chances on demolishing my machine, myself and any reputation, I hope to build in the future I decided to quit with only 20 sets completed. (My 40 halves were gone and that helped form the decision.) To put it mildly, it takes little practice to master an electric elongated machine. How many half dollars can anyone afford to practice with. I did have one happy situation in which I rolled 117 half dollar size aluminum tokens with a picture of Nixon. They were given to members of the Numismatic Literary Guild with a letter I send.

I have found rolling aluminum is easy and fun and I didn't waste a single one. Of course, the aluminum didn't cost me anything. Now if Uncle Sam would just decide to make aluminum half dollars I will have it made.

ANA CONVENTION IN NEW ORLEANS

by Dottie Dow TEC #1
Phoenix, Arizona

New Orleans we came to you,
To see the old, not the new,
The A.N.A. to attend,
And with other groups to blend,

Wooden money was around,
Elongateds could be found,
Paper money old and new,
Large, small and regular too,
There were tokens by the score,
Medals too, why ask for more?
Type coins were, in their glory,
But that's always the story.

Roll collectors are forlorn,
For all the roll they did scorn.

Dealers sought the double dies,
And from them you did hear cries,
When the prices didn't rise
This to them was a surprise.

Love tokens are in demand,
Some dealers had them on hand.
Large cents, small cents, gather
round,
By hunting, all shall be found.

Silver dollars old and new,
They were sought by quite a few.

G.S.A. dollars on view
No one knows the prices due.

PNC covers were there,
They closed with a table bare.

Books of numismatic lore,
Were to be found by the score.

But one hunt, you did in vain,
And this was really a shame.

The rooms were so very small
They wanted to make one bawl.

For towels one had to hollar,
Or tip the maid a dollar.

"Did you say pillow cases?"
They just laughed in our faces.

When at 3 A.M. we called
The Jung Hotel was appalled,
"Send up pillow cases now?
To good service we do vow."

We had them by 3:15
By then, toward sleep we did
lean.

But we have to admit,
The whole show was a big hit.

ANNOUNCEMENT TO ROLLERS

It has been established by the Board of Governors that an annual Award Plaque will be presented to the producer of the "Best All Around Elongated Coin of the Year." The following rules have been agreed upon by the award committee and the club president.

1. Each roller will send the coin (or coins) they consider their best of the year, to the award chairman no later than May 1st.
2. Coins will become the property of TEC. None will be returned. All will be used for door prizes after being judged.
3. Judging will be done by membership at the General Meeting at the A.N.A. convention.
4. Coins must have been issued between Jan. 1st and Dec. 31st, of the year previous to the convention. For example coin issued in 1972 will be judged at convention in 1973.
5. Each roller will be limited to not more than two entries.

All rollers are urged to enter. Your participation will help to insure this to be a successful program. The most it can cost you is an elongated coin, an 8¢ stamp and time to write a note of entry to- - Joseph Lessner, (Award Chairman) 701 61st Street - North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710

NOTES OF INTEREST

The new officers of the Midwest Elongated Collectors are, President- Burton Neal Levy, Vice President- Henry Blaha, Secretary James E. Hicks, Treasurer- Lynne Levy, Elected to the Board of Directors are Leonard A. Krug, Charles Mueller and David Singer.

The last general meeting was held February 9, 1973 at the Summit Hotel in Chicago, Illinois.

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Mrs. Helen Olenicki TEC #288 of Elmhurst, Illinois, exhibited her statehood elongated coins last November, at the Oak Park Illinois Coin Club show. Mrs. Olenicki said, she didn't win the first prize but received a ribbon. She said, although she didn't win, she got the satisfaction of exhibiting her complete series of which she is very proud of.

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Miss Ruth M. Ludwigsen TEC #502, one of the leading numismatists from the west coast, was a recent bride of Everett Phillips. The wedding was held December 30, 1972 in California.

Mrs. Phillips is a graduate of Central College, Pella, Iowa. Mrs. Phillips is currently serving her second year as president of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. She has also recently served as chairman, of the California State Numismatic Associations 25th anniversary convention.

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Herman Krajewski recently showed slides of a few of his elongated coins, at the Central Conn. Coin Club, of Manchester, Conn. Although the program was not about elongated coins, Herman always manages to slip in a few slides of elongated coins. Herman also showed slides of elongated coins, at the Knights of Columbus meeting in November 1972, in Rockville, Conn.

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A special thank you to my I.O.W.M.C. friend, Charles H. Matthews for sending me the elongated coin of the World Fair Chicago 1933, Skyride. Thanks again Chuck. Mr. Matthews doesn't collect elongated coins, so was kind enough to pass on this elongated coin to me. It will be added to my growing collection.

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At a recent meeting of the California Collectors of Elongateds the program was about Roxanne Davis' painted elongated coins. Lee Martin had taken slide pictures of a few of Roxannes coins and he showed them at the meeting. The program went over very well and everyone seemed interested. Now Roxanne has been asked to bring the slides for a future program at the Anaheim Coin Club. Good luck to you and keep up the good work Roxanne.

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Paul Aubry, 128 Jane St., Englewood, N.J. 07631, is looking for old elongated coins to buy. Anyone having duplicates for sale, write to him and let him know what you have for sale.

NOTES OF INTEREST

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Henry Blaha our past TEC President has been in the hospital in January and is now recuperating at home. It would be nice if members would send him a card or write him a letter to help cheer him up. I'm sure Henry would appreciate hearing from his friends, as he is under doctors orders to take it easy for a while. Best wishes for a speedy recovery from all of us and may God Bless You Henry.

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A special thanks goes to COIN WORLD for the recent publicity, they gave The Elongated Collectors in COIN WORLD in the January 10th issue. Its nice to open up COIN WORLD and find an article about TEC members and what they are doing in TEC. This is one way to get new members to join.

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Walter Riley TEC #539, who is President of the Quinebaug Valley Coin Club of Putnam, Connecticut is doing his part to promote elongated coins. At the clubs Christmas party all members were presented a Christmas elongated coin. This coin was bought by the club from Elmer Anderson. I'm sure all members of the club appreciated getting one. Mrs. Sally Kirka will show slides and have a program on elongated coins at the clubs March meeting. Sally and Al Kirka are also members of the club.

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Al and Sally Kirka also exhibited four show cases of elongated coins at the first official meeting of the Mansfield Numismatic Society of Mansfield, Connecticut. Sally also showed her slides on elongated coins. This was quite an honor to be asked to show slides of elongated coins at a first meeting of a newly organized coin club. Sally also gave out an elongated coin to the members attending the meeting. Most of the members there had never seen or heard of an elongated coin before, so this proved to be a very interesting meeting for the members.

HOW I GOT STARTED COLLECTING ELONGATES-by Charles Price Jr, TEC #304 Kent, Connecticut

As I was going through Coin World and the Numismatic News one day in 1968, I read an article written by, Dottie Dow on elongated coins. It said anyone wishing to join "The Elongated Collectors," this would be the last chance to get the membership coin, with the members name and number engraved on it. So I joined TEC and this coin became my most prized elongated coin.

After reading this article I remembered I had a small box with junk coins in it. As I went through the box, I found an elongated coin that I had purchased at the 1939 World's Fair, N.Y.-W.F.

After joining "TEC," I received my first elongated coins from Dottie Dow. Now I have most of her coins thru 1971. I also have most of Lloyd Wagemans too. The ones I like best of all, are his hand engraved ones. Some of his coins, I wouldn't sell to anyone at any price.

I have a few from the other rollers such as, Ralph Jones, Elmer Anderson, A. Rosato, Gus Meccarello and Bob Luchtman. I also have Mr. Luchtman's first photo-elongated coin #60 and which I think is unique.

I now have about 500 elongated coins in my collection, which include a few old ones, from the 1893 Columbian Exposition and 1933-1934 Worlds Fair. I am also interested in U.S. coins and medals.

TEXAS ELONGATEDS AND RELATED SUBJECTS

by Ruby Threlkeld TEC #202
La Marque, Texas

It is only natural for each person to have a warm feeling for their home state and a desire to own one of each and every elongated that pertains to this state.

As I try to write this article I am looking at the beautiful silver elongateds, rolled by Lloyd Wagaman, to honor the 125th anniversary of the state of Texas - 1945 - 1970. It is a choice piece, showing the map of Texas with the lone star in the center.

Other elongateds from Texas are the Hemisfair Worlds Fair piece from San Antonio 1968, and rolled by R.W. Luchtman. This commemorated one of the greatest events ever held in the U.S.A.

Another Texas elongated that is rare (only 100 made) and a prized possession is the Mineral Well Coin Club cent of March 1971. Don Sabo rolled these and made gifts of 25 of these at the 1972 convention, to the first 25 winners of the door prizes at the TEC meeting. There will be no more of these.

Before 1972 I had a wee Mexican elongated made by Dottie Dow and advertised as the smallest elongated. This isn't true anymore. As Lloyd Wagaman came out with a tiny Texas elongated, small as my little finger nail, with a lone star in the center. Anyone who rolls something smaller will really have to do some thinking.

Lets not forget NASA and our space program. This is based in Texas too and just twenty miles from home. Each flight by the astronauts has given the rollers new material for their elongateds.

While two other elongateds are not "TEXAS" as such, they apply to all of us. Lets never forget "KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL" and "LOVE AMERICA or LEAVE IT". And don't forget it!

LLOYD E. WAGAMAN

— ELONGATED COINS —

ROUTE # 1 — BOX 195-D

CAMBY, INDIANA 46113



Among the new issue elongated coins we received were a beautiful
ISRAEL 25th ANNIVERSARY - - - - - 75¢
SOUVENIR FROM MIAMI FLORIDA, SPORT OF KINGS - - - - - 75¢

Both of these new issue elongates are available from, Ben Rubenstein,
P.O. Box 351, Hollywood, Florida 33022

MY TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO

by John Mangels TEC #224
Lakewood, New Jersey

Well this year has started out real good for me. I was lucky in my job and for business reasons, I was sent to San Francisco. I left New York on Jan. 2nd and returned Jan. 5th. This is the first chance I had to go back to Frisco since serving in the Navy in 1950.

While I was there I visited three local coin dealers, to see if any of them had any elongated coins. One dealer had a 1915 Pan-Pacific, but his asking price was a little too high for me, so I decided not to get it. The other two dealers didn't have anything in elongated coins.

I decided to do some sightseeing and in my travels I came upon a store on Geary Street. This store had just about everything in the window, knives, buttons, coins, German medals, old newspapers etc. As I entered the store it was like going into a museum. The owner came over and asked if he could be of some help to me. I told him, that I was interested in elongated coins and was wondering if he had any. To my surprise he knew what I was talking about and began looking around for some, without any luck. He said, he knew he had some, but would just have to look around and it would take time. So I told him to look around and I would be back in about four hours.

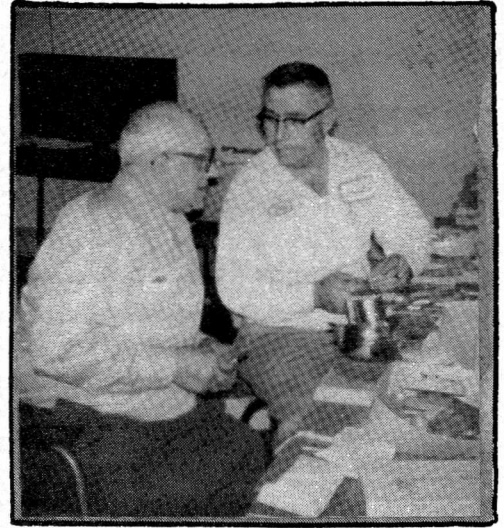
As you can guess, the time passed very slowly. When the four hours were up. I went back to the store. To my surprise the man had found a few. He first showed me an old looking picture frame containing elongated coins, of the 1939-40 New York Worlds Fair. There must have been about 15 of them, but they were on blanks and not on pennies. He told me, he believed that the roller of the elongated coins, used these as a display at the fair, to show the people what he had for sale. His asking price was \$80 and with limited funds with me, it was a little too high for me. Then he brought out another 10 pieces. Nine were from the 1939-40 Worlds Fair and one was from the 1939-40 Golden Gate Int. Expo. We agreed on the price and I bought them all.

I'm happy to say in the lot were a, 1940 Golden Gate Int. Expo., showing both the Golden Gate and the Oakland Bay Bridge with skyline of Frisco. The others were from 1939-40 N.Y. Worlds Fair, Greetings from Charlie McCarthy, Parachute Drop, Greetings to all Boy Scouts, Merry England, The Jitterbugs, Greetings to Legionnaires, Firestone Building, Childrens World and a 1940 Trylon and Perisphere. I have quite a few dated 1939, but this is the first one dated 1940 that I have.

I was also able to buy three souvenir books from him. One was of the Century of Progress Worlds Fair Chicago 1933, N.Y. Worlds Fair 1940 edition and a 1965 official Guide of N.Y. Worlds Fair. Now that I have these souvenir books, I have changed one of my displays. I now will use these books on top and under the elongated coins of these fairs in my exhibits. I am looking forward in displaying my elongated coins at coin shows, in the N.Y. and N.J. areas this year. I feel that I was very lucky to get these pieces. Here in New Jersey the older elongated coins are very hard to find. When a dealer does have a few, his price is real high. I hope that all who read this article, have as much luck as I did in 1973, in finding some old elongated coins.

● Happy Anniversary ●

Lloyd and Alberta Wagaman



(left photo) Sec. Alberta Wagaman presents Charles Mueller TEC #333 his 1973 membership card during his recent visit to Camby, Indiana.
(right photo) L. Wagaman and Charles Mueller discuss hand engraving.

MID-WINTER EXPOSITION

by Marie Trinny TEC #37
Yountville, Calif.

While serving as National Commissioner-at-large to the Columbian Exposition in 1893, M. H. De Young, owner and publisher of the Chronicle, conceived the idea of a California Mid-Winter Exposition. He developed enthusiasm for the idea of a museum for San Francisco, and he telegraphed his personal subscription of \$5,000, to this effort. Other contributors followed and ground was broken for this Exposition on August 24, 1893. On January 24, 1894, it opened. It continued until July 4, and was so successful in the interim that the directors had on hand a cash balance of \$75,000 and improvements appraised at \$194,051.49.

For months afterward the Fair gates remained in position, and the public was admitted at a small charge. The Park Commission became impatient and urged quick return of the 200-acre Fair area to the Park. When wrecking crews began their work, it was decided to let the Fine Arts Building remain. This "Egyptian Temple" as some called it and the Bavarian Building were purchased, by the Exposition's executive committee. With the purchase went the two great bronzes now in front of the Museum, the cider press, the Dore vase and the ecclesiastical, oriental and ceramic collections, which had been on display during the Fair.

When the buildings had been repaired and rebuilt for permanent use, the keys were turned over to the Park Commissioners by M.H. De Young on March 23, 1895. Thus, in two San Francisco depression periods, highly important cultural progress was made in San Francisco in the 1860's, when the Golden Gate Park itself was initiated and the 1893-1894 period, when the De Young Museum was established. By 1896 and 1897, two annexes had been added. In 1916 Mr. DeYoung proposed a new and greater museum and had plans for it drawn up. The cornerstone was laid April 15, 1917.

The original Museum buildings, left over from the Mid-Winter Fair of 1894, were torn down in 1926.

This article is about one of the unlisted elongateds I have in my collection from the Mid Winter Exposition. It is one of four unlisteds which I have.

ROLL YOUR OWN?

by Jack Stuckart TEC #504
Pittston, Pa.

Other people can roll coins, so why can't we? It seems to be a very simple process so why not give it a try? All that we need is a rolling mill, or a press and a supply of coins. So simple, isn't it?

To start with, we have access to a supply of BU coins of several denominations, so they should present no problem. Of course, we could use circulated coins, but the reverse of the rolled coin would not "come up" nearly as well as with those which have never been used. So we decide to use UNC coins for the project.

How about dies or impressions in rolls? We're in good position here, too. We have a steel supplier who can give us any kind of bar stock we need, and we know where we can have the dies hardened to our satisfaction and specifications. Perhaps we will crack a die or two in the initial stages, and perhaps we will have a few of them wear out prematurely, but eventually, we will be able to determine the proper hardness of the dies for rolling coins. We know a good engraver who will be able to work the designs into the dies for us, and he'll be able to tell us what type of sketch or drawing he needs to work with.

At this stage, we're beginning to pick up a little confidence. Having in the past designed and constructed several pieces of machinery, we can't foresee any major problems in a small roll press. We're now off and running!

To build a suitable press, we first have to know how much pressure is required to roll the largest and hardest coin produced in the U.S.A. In this case, it's the circulating Eisenhower dollar. We consult our "Handy Dandy" Engineer's Handbook and come up with a tonnage figure. Since the largest piece we intend to roll is "crown size", we know how long our shafts which hold the dies must be. Now we determine from the tonnage figure we've come up with how large in diameter those shafts must be to stand the pressure without bending. The little press isn't going to be so LITTLE, after all.

From here we go into different type bearings, spur gears, sprockets, etc. always bearing in mind the expected pressure and the dimension requirements. We finally determine what type of bearing will do the best job along with the gears which we have selected. Next, we need a frame to mount the bearings, rolls, gears, etc. in. Then we figure out the metal needed and the dimensions of ways, gibs, bed-plate, uprights, jack screws and so forth.

So far, so good, but how about a drive for the monster which we are developing? Again, we consult our Engineer's Handbook to determine what kind of drive we need at a given speed. With this data, we determine gear ratios and incorporate those figures in a gear-motor and sprockets. Of course we have to figure the sizes of sprockets, chains etc. and the horsepower of the motor which is to drive the press.

At this stage, we figure that we're ready to put it all on the drawing board and to draw up our "Bill of Materials," but are we? There's still that matter of an automatic feed for the coins, which are to be rolled! Since coins vary in size, we have to make the feed adjustable. Too, the feed can allow only one coin at a time to enter the rolls and this involves much figuring of linkages, synchronization, feed tube sizes, chute dimensions, and all the pertinent information which goes with the tie-in of the feed mechanism to the press.

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ROLL YOUR OWN?

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We finally come up with something which we HOPE will work, but having built prototypes before, we're a bit skeptical. It looks good on the drawing board, - BUT.....

The "Bill of Materials" becomes a list of parts needed to construct our little nightmare. From the list we develop the cost of construction. Piece by piece the dollars add up! Our final figure in dollars and cents leaves us bug-eyed! Does a little press such as this roll press cost THAT many dollars for PARTS only?

Where is it that we were told we could buy a totally assembled press for \$1,000.00? And, too, why is it that we thought that 50¢ was a rather high price for just one rolled cent?

We did learn one thing from our mechanical explorations into the elongated coin field. The elongated coin roller who supplies the hobby has a terrific investment in press and dies to recover and must roll several thousand cents at 50¢ each, before he can begin to break even. With the cost of the dies alone to be considered, the roller must have a good market for his elongated coins, if he is to operate at a profit.

So, if you have a special design you'd like to have rolled into a coin, contact one of the people who have rolling mills. It's much less expensive to contract the job than it is to try to build your own press.

MONTHLY AUCTION

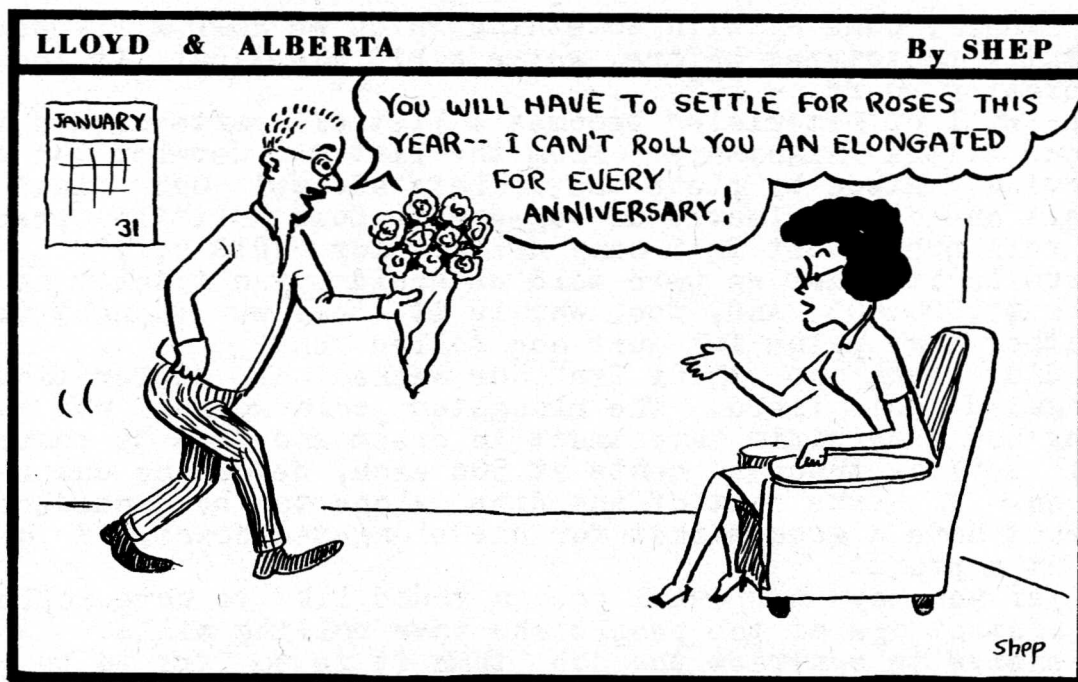
by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

One of our members, John G. Spadone, has a nice auction going on elongated coins, every month or so. Since we have a lot of new members lately, maybe some of you would be interested to know this. He has a lot of old elongated coins on his auction list. Many of these elongated coins are unlisted. Mr. Spadone will also welcome your want list. He will also buy your old duplicate coins, or your collection. For those of you, who may want to sell your coins in his monthly auction, he does this at a 25% commission.

Many of you may be interested to know that Mr. Spadone has a book on some early elongated coins. There are still some available. The Babins Elongated Book can be bought for \$2.50. It is not a very large book, to a collector its a must and it will come in handy. Mr. Spadone gave me one and I was very well pleased with it.

Also for the new members that are looking for holders for elongated coins, Mr. Spadone sells these 2x2 holders for \$1.50 per 100, postpaid. For more information on the auction or the book, holders or selling your coins, please write to Mr. John Spadone, - - - 4872 N.W. 171 Terrace, Miami, Fla. 33054. For a personal answer, I suggest you send a S.S.A.E. Tell him you read this in the TEC NEWS.

I hope members are taking advantage of the ad Elmer Anderson of Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick (Pontiac), R.I. 02886, has in the TEC NEWS. He had some very beautiful coins for sale in the last two issues. Don't miss out on these coins. Mr. Anderson has sent me samples of the coins and I'm proud to have them in my collection. He also has a very nice Christmas coin. For the price of these coins and more information, send a self addressed stamped envelope to Mr. Anderson at the above address.



ITS A SMALL WORLD AFTER ALL

by Y.N.I Phillip W. Ott TEC #581
United States Navy, Guam

I just recently became a new member of TEC #581. I received my membership card and coin and my first copy of the TEC NEWS. I must say that, believe it or not, I have read and reread the TEC NEWS for the past five days, since receiving it. It is a fantastic publication.

It was of no surprise to find an old friend of my family as a member of TEC, Mr. Herman Krajewski TEC #524, of Rockville, Conn. I have known Herman for about 13 years and I enjoy my talks with him about coins. Now when I see him again, I have a new subject to talk about, elongated coins. Herman and Louise are my parents landlord.

I'm a Petty Officer First Class, in the U.S. Navy for the past sixteen years. My trade in the Navy is that of a Yeoman. At present I'm stationed at the Navy Base in Davisville, R.I. I will be taking a trip to the island of Guam, for a period of eight months on February 1st. Of course when I have the spare time, I will be looking for elongated coins on Guam. Who knows I may be lucky and find some.

I am married and my wife and I have three wonderful children. As we expect to make our home in Jacksonville, Florida, when I retire from the Navy in 3½ years, my wife and family are now living there. When I do retire, I hope to have more time to devote to my hobby of collecting elongated coins.

A. Rosato of 44 Bank St., New Milford, Conn. 06776, also has a very nice Christmas elongated for sale, and for those interested in collecting Christmas elongated coins, they can write to Mr. Rosato for more information and price. Please send a stamped self addressed envelope. Christmas coins make up a beautiful exhibit.

UNLISTED DIRECTORY - - PART VI

by Bob Callander TEC #307
Nappanee, Indiana

ILL-CPIE 71a. /WORLD'S FAIR/. /FORT CEARBORN/. Similar to #71, except letters in words at top are larger. Word "Fair" is between "World's" and "Chicago". Wire border.

ILLchi 19a. /VISIT ARMOURS/. Steer's head in center. Appears to be identical to #19. However, on reverse is: /NATIONAL LIVE/ CHICAGO/ 1901/ STOCK ASSOCIATION/.

N.Yc.i 10. Tower in center. To left of Tower, written along border, /DREAMLAND/, to right, /TOWER/ with small three-line design before and after "Tower". Below tower, /CONEY ISLAND/. Railed border.

N.Yc.i 11. /LUNA PARK/. Below scene of buildings and amusements at park. Below, /CONEY/ ISLAND/. Raised rolled border.

O.-GLE 9a. /AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION/. American Legion emblem in center, wording in emblem, /AMERICAN/ US/ LEGION/. Below, /CLEVELAND/. To left of emblem, /19/, to right, /36/. Dotted border.

O.cle 3. /SOUVENIR OF EUCLID BEACH PARK/. Below scene of entrance to park, and /CLEVELAND, OHIO/. Dotted border.

WASxxx 3a. /GRAND COULEE DAM/ WASHINGTON/. View of dam. Slightly different from #3. Positions of letters different. "I" of Washington to left of "O" in "Coulee". Dotted border, vertical line between dots.

N.Ypou 1. /POUGHKEEPSIE/ N.Y./ Horseshoe with points down. In center, /LUCKY/ CENT/. Below, /AUG/ 1909/FIREMAN/. Rolled bor.

XXX 11a. No legend. Variety of #11. Curves at end of rectangle more concave. Arms of center rosette at top and at bottom, are thinner. Upper left corner of rectangle is farther away from dots in border.

N.Yny 7. /*NEW YORK CITY*/ Below, scene of skyline of city with statue of liberty in foreground. Below, /THE WONDER CITY/. Rope border.

Editors note - If you have an elongated and you can't find a listing on it, send a foil or rubbing of it to Bob at the following address, Bob Callander, P.O. Box 71, Nappanee, Indiana 46550

**FOR SALE**

NEW ISSUES Elongated Cents 50c ea. on Dimes \$1.00 ea.

APOLLO 17 - Last Moon Landing, Crew Emblem

PRES, NIXON INAUGURATION - 1973

ISRAEL OLYMPIC DISASTER - Munich, Germany 1972

On Cents Only

KU KLUX KLAN MEDAL, Used By Klan Members During The '20's,
With Sheet Explaining Symbols \$2.25 Nickel Silver

KU KLUX KLAN MEDAL (1971) Larger Than Silver Dollar.

Aluminum \$1.00

PONTIAC PRESS

35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, (Pontiac), R. I. 02886

B. Anderson, Prop. - - TEC #58

(Paid ad)

TEC NEWS COIN



A special coin has again been rolled by Lloyd E. Wagaman for presentation to members that write an article of 150 words or more for TEC NEWS. The 1973 TEC NEWS coin is again one of Lloyd's hand engravings. This year it is verticle on the coin compared to the horizontal design of last year. This coin, like the 1973 membership coin is rolled on the Japanese aluminum 1 yen. It is not for sale at any price. You must write an article to get one. Following is a list of members who received this coin for their article in the Jan.-Feb.-Mar. 1973 issue.

- 1 - From the Presidents Desk - - - - - Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
- 2 - The Editor Speaks - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
- 3 - Are all TEC Members Elongated Collectors - Alberta Wagaman #165
- 4 - A Serious Collector - - - - - Arthur Nast #35
- 5 - Exciting City of Providence, R.I. - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
- 6 - Views on Conventions and Such - - - - - Herman Krajewski #524
- 7 - Hand Engraved Elongated - - - - - Lloyd E. Wagaman #33
- 8 - A Stuborn Guy - - - - - Frank L. Veltrup Jr. #420
- 9 - It was all my Pleasure - - - - - Ruby Threlkeld #202
- 10 - Convention Time is near - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
- 11 - Elongated Coins can be Fun - - - - - Tom Hudson #528
- 12 - John Rogers Anniversary Elongated - - - - - H.W. Schoewe #523
- 13 - See you in Boston - - - - - Chester Grabowski #512
- 14 - Roxanne Davis Wins on her First Try - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
- 15 - The Elongated Collectors are Scarce - - - - - Raymond Leveille #84
- 16 - Sally ain't the Flying Nun - - - - - Al Kirka #450
- 17 - My Collection - - - - - Thomas E. Bedell #467
- 18 - The Show is Over - - - - - Harold Anderson #483
- 19 - President McKinley - - - - - Don Sabo #341
- 20 - I am a Roller - - - - - Lee Martin #129
- 21 - Thoughts for 1973 - - - - - F.A. Shelmerdine #447
- 22 - Elongates to Clean or not to Clean - - - - - C. Meccarello #40
- 23 - The Elongated Display - - - - - J.H. Wilcox #332
- 24 - Unlisted Directory - - - - - Bob Callander #307
- 25 - Letters to the Editor - - - - - Steward E. Nethken #519
- 26 - Some Advice on Engraving and Rolling - - - - - Eric Goodwin #520

ELONGATED COINS FOR SALE

TWO NEW ISSUES FOR SALE

- 1- STORE CARD - - - - - 200 Rolled
- 2- 197th ANNIVERSARY OF U.S. MARINE CORPS - 200 Rolled

\$1.00 Each Issue - - From

RAYMOND T. LEVEILLE

P.O. Box 4

Orono, Maine 04473

Other new issues will be made if the above
elongateds meet with collectors approval

(Paid ad)

GET A FRIEND OR MAKE IT THREE, TO JOIN T.E.C. IN 1973

EMILY DICKINSON ELONGATED

by Dottie Dow TEC #1
Phoenix, Arizona

A lot of the fun of collecting elongateds comes of knowing the story behind how they came to being made.

Take the Emily Dickinson Elongated that was released on August 28, 1971, the first day of issue of the American Poet stamp.

Emily Dickinson lived from 1830 till 1886. Before the stamp came out, there were a lot of people that didn't realize she ever existed. Her name was not as prominent as other poets like "Robert Burns, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Edgar Allen Poe, William Stevenson, William Shakespeare, etc."

When I heard the stamp was coming out, I realized I'd have to get down to the library to see what poems she had written and if there happened to be a short one suitable for an elongated. Nearly all the books of poetry I had collected for forty years, had been lost when my house was flooded on June 22nd, 1971.

Before I had a chance to get to the Library, one of the girls where I work, gave me a book of Emily Dickinsons poems for my birthday (July 21st). She had no idea of the stamp or that I needed this book of poems badly for research. E.S.P.? It would be hard to believe, at a time like this, that there wasn't such a thing.

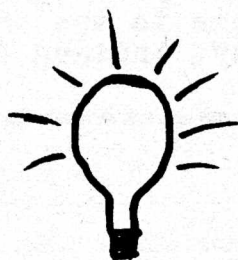
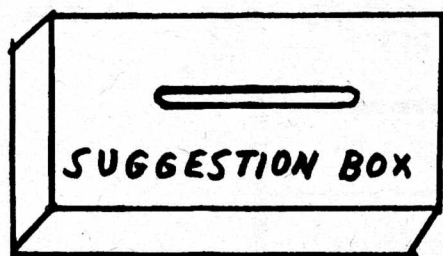
I was surprised to find the book of Dickinson poems was 231 pages long, and a little ashamed of myself for not having read more than a couple of her poems in my whole life before.

It took me several days to read the entire book and do it justice and then to whittle the choice down to three, so I could get other opinions on them. The poem finally selected was:

LOVE IS ANTERIOR TO LIFE,
POSTERIOR TO DEATH,
INITIAL OF CREATION, AND
THE EXPONENT OF BREATH.

Emily Dickinson

The interesting thing that I then did for art work, was an experiment. I typed the poem several times, then got the lettering just the way I wanted it, and I sent this copy, typed with a carbon ribbon on an IBM selectric typewriter, to "Ensco Mfg." and they then "etched" the poem onto one of my hardened dies. So what did I forget to do after all this reading and experimentation? You are right, I forgot to put the "DD" on the art work so no one knows who made it. That wasn't all, the engraver put such messy grippers on the first die, he had to etch a whole new die without the ugly grippers and that one didn't have the "DD" either, nor did the third die. You see the engraver ruined another die inbetween. Any wonder why I went to a different place and engraved dies, instead of etched in 1972.



Still have that bright idea in your mind? Don't keep it to yourself, share it with us. We have adopted a few suggestions sent in by members and they are a benefit to all TEC members. Send suggestions to President or Editor. Addresses on page 3.

JUST A REMINDER
THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST COPY OF TEC NEWS,
IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR 1973 DUES.

BE A LEADER

by Burton Neal Levy TEC #499
Chicago, Illinois

Gee isn't it nice to sit back and enjoy the benefits of being a member of an elongated coin club? Just think of the free elongated coins, the monthly or quarterly publications, and the many hours of reading material. All you have to do is pay the yearly membership dues and that's it.

Wait a second! Why let a few dedicated people do all the work? Pitch in and make your hobby the best hobby by contributing your thoughts and ideas. What does it take to write an article or to ask a few questions? After all we can all learn from one another.

I recall a letter which was written to me by a new collector. In so many words he said, "Burt I realize I am a novice in the elongated field, however I would like to become more involved with the elongated coin clubs, even though I cannot attend any club meetings. Please advise me."

Fellow collectors this person showed an interest and eventually contributed an article to the club and he promised many more contributions in the future. This is the response I would like to see from each and everyone of you.

It doesn't matter which elongated coin club you favor. What counts is that first approach to help your hobby grow. Don't be a follower - be a leader.

MYSTERY OF OLD ELONGATED COINS

by Chester Grabowski TEC #512
Rockville, Connecticut

Christmas season is now past us and the coin shows have started their season for 1973. Most of the TEC members are now out hunting for elongated coins. I'm out looking like the rest of the members, even though I am a coin dealer. Who will be the lucky one to find a nice old unlisted elongated coin. If you show your interest in any elongated coins, the price of coins goes double. Its to bad, we do not have a guide book to follow. The prices have jumped sky high lately. Dealers now, don't call elongated coins junk, because they are getting good money for the old coins.

What I don't understand is, how come all of a sudden so many old coins are showing up. Where were they all these years? At one coin show I saw one dealer with about fifty different old elongated coins. If he had so many to sell, then there must have been plenty made. So why all of a sudden did the prices jump up so high on the elongated coins, if there are plenty around? Who can give me the answer?

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS

If you have moved recently, please send us your correct address. This will save us time and money and you will receive your TEC NEWS on time. Send your correct address to the Secretary, Mrs. Alberta Wagaman, Route 1 - Box 195-D, Camby, Indiana 46113

Changed Your Address ??? 	NAME		
	NEW ADDRESS		
	City	State	Zip Code
	OLD ADDRESS		
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A.N.A. CONVENTION

by ANA Club Representative
Sally Kirka TEC #16

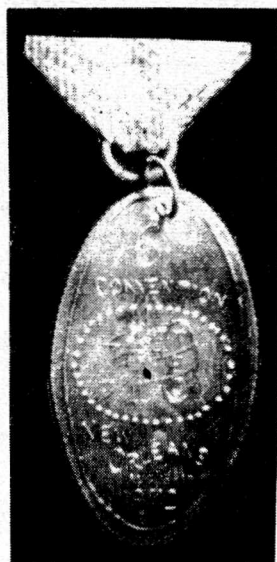
The 1973 American Numismatic Association Convention, the 82nd consecutive gathering of the Association, will be held in the Sheraton Boston Hotel, August 23-27, 1973. Due to an anticipated heavy attendance, arrangements have been made to use the Hynes auditorium for an enlarged bourse and exhibit area. It is expected that upwards of 175 dealers will be present to offer you a virtually unlimited choice of numismatic and related material.

Exhibitors will be most welcome. So all TEC members planning to exhibit, please send in for your space early. Our TEC club will give some lucky member an award for the best elongated exhibit. Make sure you follow the rules to the letter. So bring those exhibits to Boston and show them how nice our elongated coins look.

John Powers is the Exhibit Chairman and will be hard pressed to fill the 2,000 feet of space allotted him. Many outstanding non-competitive exhibits are expected, and it is definite that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing will set up a display and offer another reproduction of outstanding engravers art, probably the \$5.00 note from the Educational Series.

Registration will be in the very capable hands of John Mullen and Michael L. O'Sullivan. If you plan to attend, they would appreciate your pre-registering in order that your ticket and badges will be ready for your arrival. Save time and help make the convention flow smoothly. And have no fear about the safety of money, Thomas P. Rockwell is the Convention Treasurer.

New England will be proud to have hosted this convention, and the men and women who are preparing for it are proud of New England. Your comments and suggestions - and registration applications - may be addressed to A.N.A. 82nd Anniversary Convention, P. O. Box 1973, Newtonville, Massachusetts 02160.



Convention Badges

\$2.30 EACH

Convention badges from the past TEC conventions are still available from the secretary for \$2.30. If you do not have them all, it would be a good idea to order them now, while they are still available. There are none left from the 1967 convention. Once the supply is gone, the only way to get them is from another collector that has given up the collecting of elongated coins. In other words, it will be hard to find one for sale, once the supply is gone. Do

not wait. Send in your order to the secretary:-Alberta Wagaman,-
Route 1, Box 195-D, Camby, Indiana 46113

THIS IS YOUR LAST COPY OF TEC NEWS IF YOUR 1973 DUES ARE NOT PAID UP
DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE, ADS - MAY 12th, ARTICLES - MAY 16th

The following persons have paid their dues and request membership in T.E.C. - Welcome to all.

NEW MEMBERS

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570	Richard Grabowski	25 Snipsic St.	Rockville, Conn.	06066
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572	Marilee L. Sager	250 Forest St. Ext.	Hamden, Conn.	06518
573	Richard Montford	3120 Maddux Dr.	Palo Alto, Calif.	94303
574	Robert Warren Waite	8961 Leverne	Detroit, Mich.	48239
575	Margaret Ann Garay	3746 So. East Ave.	Berwyn, Ill.	60402
576	Harold B. Butner	18432 Kingsdale Ave.	Redondo Beach, Cal.	90278
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NEW ISSUES

Don Adams of the Don Adams Companies, P.O. Box 173, Chauvin, Louisiana 70344, sent me four new issues. For those of you that are interested in these coins, one is "MAN ON MOON SERIES, APOLLO XVII." His second is the OLYMPIC GAMES. His third is the MAIL ORDER STAMP, and the fourth is the NEW STAMP ISSUE. Four very interesting coins that will go well in anyones collection. Don forgot to give me the price on these coins. Anyone wishing to buy any of these elongated coins, I suggest you send a stamped self addressed envelope, for his price list and more information.

NEW ISSUES

1-	4 H CLUB - - - - -	50¢	G. Meccarello
2-	BE KIND TO ANIMALS - - - - -	50¢	Coins Elongated
3-	MCGOVERN - EAGLETON - - - - -	50¢	228 Vassar Rd.
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Mr. Meccarello also has a couple of First Day Covers with elongated coins. Anyone interested please write for more information.

LAST CALL-LAST ONE. Brand new Dottie Dows "THE ELONGATED COLLECTOR" Minimum bid \$50.00. Bids must be in by May 30, 1973.